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MACOMBER family line to Constant Southworth,
1615

LOCKE family line to John and Priscilla
Alden, 1622

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Macomber line to Constant Southworth 1615.

Colonial ancestor for membership in Colonial Dame organization.
All references are found on application papers of Kate Locke Macomber.

Constant Southworth	b about 1615 England	d 10 March 1678/9 Duxbury.
Elizabeth Collier	b " 1617 "	d 24-June 1682 Bristol.
	m 2-Nov.1637 Plymouth	
Nathaniel Southworth	b about 1649 Plymouth	d 14-Jan.1710 Middleboro.
Desire Gray	b 6-Nov.1651 "	d 4-Dec. 1690 Plymouth.
	m 10-Jan.1671/2 "	
Ichabod Southworth	b 16 Mar1678/9 Plymouth	d 20-Sept.1757 Middleboro.
Esther Hodges	b 17-Feb.1678 Taunton	d Feb. 1760 Taunton.
	m about 1706	
Priscilla Southworth	b 11-Feb. 1709/10 Middleboro	d 30-Oct. 1793 Middleboro.
Nathaniel Macomber	b 9-Feb. 1709 Taunton.	d 12-Nov. 1787 "
	m 13-Nov.1735Middleboro	
George Macomber	b 7-July 1740 Taunton.	d 2-July 1820 New Salem.
Susannah Paul	b 16-Jan.1746 "	d 30-June 1840 " "
	m 27-Jan.1767 "	
Ebenezer Macomber	b 12-May 1785 Taunton.	d 24-Sept.1849 New Salem.
Sally Ann Jewell	b 22-May 1787 Woodstock	d 26-Oct.1873 Northampton.
	m 12-Dec. 1810 Sturbridge	
Kingsley Williams		
Macomber	b 14-Mar.1813 New Salem	d 13-Oct.1895 Lewis Iowa.
Martha Sophia		
Alexander	b 10-April 1816 Sunder- land.	d 5-Nov.1892 Lewis Iowa.
	m 12-Dec.1839 Florence (Sunderland ?)	
John Kingsley Macomber	b 2-Feb. 1849 Northampton	d 2-May 1910 Des Moines Iowa.
Mattie A. Locke	b 2-Dec.1853 Union N.Y.	d 12-Nov. 1931 " " "
	m 22-Feb. 1877 Vinton,Iowa.	
Kate Locke Macomber	b 12-Mar.1884 Des Moines Ia.	
Charles F.Clarke	b 27-Oct.1883 Adel,Iowa.	
	m 7-Jan.1913 Des Moines,Iowa.	

Children of Kate Macomber Clarke and Charles F.Clarke,

Kingsley M.Clarke	b 17-Nov.1913 Des Moines,Iowa.
Portia M.Clarke	b 8-July 1917 " " "
Elsie Louise Clarke	b 25-April 1920 Adel,Iowa.
Theodora M.Clarke	b 21-Sept.1922 " " "

Unless otherwise specified all places above mentioned are in Massachusetts.

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LOCKE FAMILY LINE TO JOHN AND PRISCILLA ALDEN, 1622.

Feb. 15 - 56 -

MRS. CHARLES F. CLARKE

ADEL, IOWA

Dear Mrs. Garretson:

I have thought that I would
get over to see you personally
re: some dates that I did
not have where I gave you
the Locke and Massachusetts
genealogical papers - Will you
please insert them?

Edmond T. Locke - 1791-1861

M. 1811 - Hoosick - N.Y.

Samantha Atwood - 1794-1865

Ref - [Faxon Family, 82]

D.A.R. # 80268 - #3954

I trust all is well with you -

Sincerely - Kate M. Clarke

William
John Locke
had his
John Locke
the patr
ship in
sergeant
cousin to

Sources
Baird's
Goodwin
Braintree
Old Home
Plymouth
Mass. Arch
Sheldon's
Temple's

Line to
John Locke
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Priscilla Mullins M.
Alice

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John Bass
1632-1716

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Ruth Bass
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N. 203
Peter Webb
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Webb

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Mrs. Faxon
2-1729

William Clarke
1695

Mary Clarke M.
1690-1715
M. 1698
Mary Clarke
1599

John Locke
1631-1756
M. 1683
Elizabeth
Plympton

Abigail Locke
1694-1729

Kendall 1719
Nathaniel Kendall

Portia M. Clarke
1917
M. 1939
Albert M. Potter
1916

Francis Kendall

John Kendall

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W. Mollins

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Priscilla Mullins M.
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Cathy Webb	M. 302
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Thomas Faxon	M. 1716
1724-1792	Thomas Faxon
M. 1749	1692-1729

23	1729-1772
Ruth FAYON	M. 1749
1752-1819.	JOANNA ALLEN
M. 1774	1731-1814

1791-1857	²⁴ John Locke
M. 13	1792-1837

1829-1903	SAMANTHA
M. 1843	Atwood
Elsie L. Atwood	
1825-1909	

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MATTIE A. LOCKE M. 1853
1853-1931 - Elsie L. Matlock
M. 1877 2 1888-1909
John K. Macomber
1849-1910

Kate Locke Macomber	M. 1877	2	1825-1909
1884	John K. Macomber		
M. 1913	1849-1910		
Chas. F. Clarke			
1883			

John Locke (alias Kenda) 11/14 1720
1729 - 1758
M. 1749
Mary Reed

Mary Clarke	1640-1715
John Clarke	M-1655
1661-1756	William Clarke
M-1663	1628-1720
Elizabeth	
Plympton	

	Mary Clark M.	
	1640-1715	Mary King
John & Ck	M-1645	1598.

1661-1756	William Locks
M 1663	1628-1720
Elizabeth	
Plympton	

Francis Kendall
John Kendall

Mattie Atwood Locke, daughter of James Burthron; Locke and Elsie Louise Walley, b near Union N.Y. Dec. 2, 1853. Feb. 22-1877, in Vinton Iowa she married John Kingsley Macomber, b Feb 2-1849. They lived in Ames, Iowa until 1883 when they moved to Des Moines, Iowa. Both John Kingsley Macomber and Mattie Locke Macomber were graduates of the class of '72, the first class to graduate from Iowa State College. J.K. Macomber attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston and also took a post graduate course in Cornell University N. Y. In 1877 he was elected full professor of Physics and Librarian at Iowa State College. In 1883 he resigned his position in the college and moved to Des Moines, where he practiced law. In 1888 he was elected prosecuting attorney in Polk County, and for two terms was city solicitor for Des Moines.

Mattie Locke Macomber, after her graduation from Iowa State College received a degree from Ann Arbor. Then she spent two years in travel and study in Europe, thus grounding herself in the French and German languages. After her marriage she lectured on Art and travel and personally conducted parties to Europe, China and Mexico.

Children of Mattie Locke Macomber and John Kingsley Macomber:

- | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| 1-Elsie W. Macomber | (LaVerne M. Louer | (Elsie M. Hellyer | (|
| B Apr. 19-1878 Ames, Ia. |) Oct. 1-1907 in |) b July 2-1931 in |) |
| d May 15-1953 Des Moines | (Chicago, Ill. | (Des Moines, Ia. | (|
| M Sept. 25-1906 Des Moines) | M Feb. 18-1928 in |) M Apr. 11-1953 in |) Martha Page |
| Lewis S. Louer | (Chicago | (Chicago |) Oct. 6-1954 |
| b June 11-1873 |) Frederick Hellyer |) Kimball M. Page |) Evanston |
| Newcastle, Penn. | (b Feb. 5-1904 in | (b June 21-1929 | |
| d Jan. 9-1926 |) Kobe Japan |) Evanston, Ill. | |
| Chicago | (d Aug. 11-1941 | (| |
| | Japan. |) LaVerne L. Hellyer | |
| | | (b June 10-1935 | |
| | |) Tokyo, Japan | |
| |) M Dec. 28-1946 | | |
| | (in Honolulu | | |
| |) John A. Pruyn | | |
| | (b Nov. 3-1909 | | |
| |) Chicago | | |
- 2- Mattie W. Macomber
b May 12-1879 Ames, Ia.
d 1880 Ames, Ia.
- 3- John Kingsley Macomber
b Dec. 10-1882 Ames, Ia.
M Oct. 24-1907 in
Los Angeles, California.
Pearl Seeley.

3.

Children of Mattie Locke Macomber and John Kingsley Macomber, continued:

(Kingsley M. Clarke	(Kingsley M. Clarke jr.
)b Nov. 17-1913	)b July 18-1943
(Des Moines, Ia.	(Greenville, S. Carolina.
)M Sept. 14-1940.)
(Mary Jane Stacy	(Lance Stacy Clarke
)b Feb. 9-1916	) July 25-1946
(Adel, Iowa.	(Des Moines, Iowa.

(Portia M. Clarke	
)b July 8-1917	
(Des Moines, Ia.	
)M Nov. 4-1939	(Georganne Potter
(Albert M. Potter	)b Sept. 19-1948
)b April 22-1916	(Clinton, Iowa.
(Morrison, Ill.)

4. Kate Locke Macomber	(Elsie Louise Clarke	(Susan Hobbs
b March 12-1884 Des Moines, Iowa	)b April 25-1920	)Dec. 25-1945
M Jan. 7-1913 Des Moines, Ia.	(Adel, Iowa.	)Seattle, Washington.
Charles F. Clarke	(M August 26-1943	
b Oct. 27-1883, Adel, Ia.	(Norfolk Va.	(Jane Hobbs
	(Robert A. Hobbs	)b Sept 6-1947
	)b March 21-1918	(Seattle, Washington.
	(Omaha, Nebraska	
		(Robert Hobbs
		)b May 29-1950
		(Seattle, Washington.
		(James B. Hobbs
		)b June 22-1953
		(Seattle, Washington

(Theodora M. Clarke	(Ellen Foster Bell
)Sept. 21-1922	) April 27-1946
(Adel, Iowa	(Topeka, Kansas
)M June 26-1944	
(Adel, Iowa.	(Laramie Clarke Bell
)Gordon H. Bell	)b Nov. 1-1948
(b Sept. 25-1920	(Sioux Falls S. Dak.
)Boston Mass.	
	(Allyson M. Bell
)August 18-1951
	(Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

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Children of Mattie Locke Macomber and John Kingsley Macomber.
Continued:

	) Mary Macomber	
5. James Locke Macomber	(B August 10-1921 Des Moines Iowa	
B Feb. 9-1887 Des Moines)		
D March 3-1944 " "	(
M Nov 10-1920 " "	) James Locke Macomber jr.	
Marjorie MacVicar	(B April 7- 1923	
B August 21-1887	) Des Moines Iowa	
Des Moines Iowa	(M Sept. 15-1954 Des Moines Iowa	
	) Harriet Starzinger	
	(B Nov. 19-1926 Des Moines Iowa	
		) Harvey M. Haeberle
		(B July 23-1943
		) Washington D.C.
		(
	(Mattie Locke Macomber	
	) B July 11-1915 Tulare Cal	) Jay M. Haeberle
	(M Nov. 28-1941 Des Moines)	) B May 31-1947
	) Harvey Haeberle	) Washington D.C.
6-Sumner Cooley Macomber	(B April 18-1913	
B July 29-1888 Des Moines)	) New Ulm, Minnesota.	
D April 1-1919	(D Feb. 26-1948 N.Y. City.	
Tipton California)	
M Isabel McRae	(M Nov. 24-1954 Des Moines	
B March 24-1894	) James W. Brammer	
D March 26-1919	(B March 13-1916	
Tipton, California.	) Des Moines Iowa	
	(
	(
	(	) S. Kingsley Macomber
	) Sumner McRae Macomber	(B Dec. 29-1943
	(B Nov. 14-1917 Tulare Cal	) Des Moines Iowa
	) M March 15-1943	
	(San Francisco California	
	) Elise Shuler	(John S. Macomber
	(B Sept. 20-1923	) B Sept. 6-1945
	) Des Moines Iowa	) Des Moines Iowa
		(
		) Elise Macomber
		(Katharine Macomber
		) Twins
		(B June 7-1947
		) Des Moines Iowa.

Children of Mattie Locke Macomber and John Kingsley Macomber.
Continued.

	(Alice Cooper Thompson)	
	)B April 7-1914 Des Moines Iowa.	(Arabella Decker
	(M Jan.4-1936 " " ")	B Oct.22-1942
	)Paul O.Decker	(Evanston Ill.
	(B Mar.20-1903 Chicago, Ill.)	
	(
	(
	(DeVere O.Thompson	
7.	)B Oct.5-1915 Des Moines, Iowa	
Arabella A.Macomber	(D April 18-1944 Georgia.	
B Jan.10-1891.	)	( Jane Bendixen
Des Moines, Iowa.	(	) B Feb 7-1941
M.Mar.25-1913	)	( Des Moines, Iowa.
Des Moines, Iowa.	(Arabella M.Thompson)
Oliver P.Thompson	)B Dec.1-1917 Des Moines Iowa.	(
B June 23-1886	(M Dec.7- 1937 " " " )	)DeVere Bendixen
Des Moines, Iowa	)Charles Bendixen	(B Aug.5-1943.
D July 14-1948.	(	)Des Moines, Iowa.
Des Moines, Iowa.)	
	(
	(
	(Sarane E.Thompson	
	(B Dec.11-1927 Des Moines, Ia.	
	)M Nov.4-1954 " " ")	
	(Frank Milton Bowen jr.	
)	
	(
8		
Bertha J.Macomber)	
B Sept.21-1892	(
Des Moines, Iowa	)John E.Parsons jr.	
D Feb.14-1954	(B June 1-1926 Toledo, Ohio.	(Susan M.Parsons
Los Angeles, Calif.	)M Nov.29-1952 Ottawa, Canada	)B July 25-1954
M April 22-1924	(Margaret Ferguson	(Newport Rhode Island.
Des Moines, Iowa	(B Nov.28-1925 Ottawa Canada	
John E.Parsons)	
B May	(
B May 7-1888		
Toledo, Ohio.		

James Burthrong Locke, son of Edmund Taylor and Samantha (Atwood) Locke, b. near Chocanut, Pa., Jan., 31st, 1829; m. Elsie Louise Walley, Jan., 18th, 1853, at New Scotland, N. Y.; d. April 19, 1903.

Children:

- I. Mattie Atwood, b. Dec., 2nd, 1853. Near Union, N. Y.
- II. Kate Newell, b. April 12th, 1858, Vinton, Iowa.
- III. Sarah Burnside, b. July 4th, 1863, Vinton, Iowa.
- IV. Frank Young, b. Aug., 23rd, 1866, Vinton, Iowa.

James Burthrong died at Des Moines, Iowa, April 19th, 1903.

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Edmund Taylor Locke, son of John and Ruth (Paxon) Locke,
b. Wh. 10, 1791 at Deerfield; m. Samantha Atwood. He was
killed in 1851, near Union, Broome Co. N. Y. by
being run over by an engine.

Children:

- I. ?
- II. ?
- III. ?
- IV. ?
- V. ?
- VI. Edmund
- VII. Perrenas A.
- VIII. James Burthrong
- IX. Gilbert Savage
- X. Ruth
- XI. Mary

(This record of the children is only approximately correct. There
were some five or six died in infancy and were not named.)

John Locke, b. Sept., 2, 1752 in Woburn Mass., son of John and Mary (Reed) Locke; m. March 12, 1774 at Whatley, Mass., Ruth Paxon daughter of Thomas and Joanna (Allen) Paxon, b. at Pembroke, Mass., Oct., 29, 1752. He resided in Deerfield and Whatley, where his wife was admitted to the church Aug., 8, 1778. He returned to Deerfield, and about 1790 he went to Bennington, Vt., and from thence to Checonut, Pa., where he died Mar., 31, 1837, and his wife died at the same place Oct., 15, 1819.

He was a vason and marble worker, and during his residence at Whatley, "at a legal meeting of the town, held the first Monday of March, 1778, it was voted that John Locke be allowed to make brick on the road near Capt. Henry Stiles' house." He held two elective town offices there in 1782, and perhaps at other times. He was a 'minute man' in the company of Capt. Jonas Locke of Deerfield. April 20, 1775 he responded to the call of the Lexington alarm, went to Boston. Serving according to one account fourteen days another account thirty three days.

His enlistments and service in the Revolutionary War were as follows:

April 1, 1775 for 8 months and 25 days.

Feb., 10, 1776- one year.

Aug., 1777- three months and ten days.

May 1, 1800- six months.

He saw Warren fall from his horse mortally wounded and was present at the execution of Major Andre.

Children:

- I. John b. May 16, 1775; m. Ruhamah Lovejoy; d. Sept. 12, 1866.
- II. Henry b. Jan., 8, 1777.
- III. Joanna b. Sept., 15, 1778; m. Abiah Mayhew.
- IV. Lucy b. Sept. 13, 1780; m. a Kendall.
- V. Mary b. Jan., 30, 1783.
- VI. Priscilla b. Nov., 5, 1784; m. Andrew Robinson. D. 1865
- VII. Ruth b. Feb. 25 1786; m. Thomas Caple.
- VIII. Mary b. Sept. 27, 1788; m. Mahum Taft; d. April 14, 1865.
- IX. EDMUND TAYLOR b. March 10, 1791; m. Samantha Atwood.
- X. Nathaniel Reed b. Sept. 9, 1793; m. Hester Ross

From Sheldon's History of Deerfield) "The house was built by David Field the chimney by John Locke."

Thomas Faxon b. in Braintree, Mass., Feb. 19, 1724, son of Thomas and Ruth (Lebb) Faxon; m. Aug. 24, 1749, Joanna Allen b. Jan. 24, 1731-2 in Braintree, Mass., dau. of Abijah and Joanna (Bolter) Allen. She d. in Bennington, Vt. June 19, 1814. He d. in Deerfield, Mass., June 1792. The probate records of Northampton, Hampshire county, Mass., show July 3, 1792, that his son Thomas Faxon of Conway, and his son-in-law John Locke of Deerfield, were administrators of his estate. Amount of inventory 138 lbs. 15 s. 1d.

Thomas Faxon was a man of small stature, very active, and if we may judge from the frequent transfers of real estate, a man of means for those days. These transfers also show his residence at different times, as in Plymouth records, Jan. 13, 1748, we find a deed of Daniel Crocker to Thomas Faxon of Pembroke. September 17, 1753, Thomas and Joanna Faxon of Hanover to Samuel Ramsdell Jr. (Plymouth records 58 : 100)

He returned soon after to Braintree, and the baptismal record of his children is found in the parish records of the North Precinct from 1755 to 1768; sales of land are recorded in Suffolk deeds previous to 1771. About this time (1771) he removed to Leicester, where his son Samuel was born, soon after to Deerfield, as Springfield records show a deed dated June 16, 1772, from Samuel Bardwell to Thomas Faxon of Deerfield.

In Temple's Ecclesiastical History of Whately we find mentioned; "Thomas Faxon of Straddle's Hill." This locality is in the north part of Whately, and was formerly a part of Deerfield; but the people living in that vicinity were in the habit of attending church in Whately, and a number of his family were members of the church there.

Many traditions are still extant of his patriotism during the Revolution, and the Mass. Archives show the following instances of service;

Vol. 25 : 10 Thomas Faxon was a private in Capt. Joseph Stebbins's company of Col. David Wells's regiment in an expedition in the Northern Department, from Sept. 28 to Oct. 18, 1777.

Vol 4 : 92. Thomas Faxon appears on a muster roll of six months men, for pay belonging to the town of Deerfield, agreeable to a resolution of Court of Oct 3 1781. Time of marching, July 29, 1780. Time of discharge, Dec. 15, 1780.

Vol. 35 : 213. Thomas Faxon, age 46, light complexion, 5 feet 2 inch Deerfield, Hampshire county, arrived at Springfield, July 30, appears on the descriptive list of six months men who marched to Springfield with Capt. Greenleaf, July 31, 1780.

There was evidently an error in the age of 46 years given in the last Transcript. He was at that time 56 years of age.

Children:

- I. Priscilla b. July 27, 1750; m. Edmund Taylor.
- II. RUTH b. Oct. 29, 1752; m. John Locke (See # 24)
- III. Thomas b. Feb. 19, 1755; m. 1st Rachel Davis, 2nd Deborah Tobey.
- IV. Jacob Allen b. Sept. 25, 1757; m. Lydia Stiles.
- V. Joanna b. Jan. 22, 1760; m. 1772.
- VI. Bathsheba b. Mar. 3, 1762; m. David Saxton Jr.
- VII. Matilda b. April 2, 1764.
- VIII. Calvin b. Aug. 15, 1766; m. Electra Barnard.
- IX. Reuben b. Sept. 25, 1768; m. Rhoda Frost.
- X. Samuel b. Jan. 24, 1771; m. Patty Spooner.
- XI. Francis b. Jan. 22, 1775.

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Thomas Faxon, b. in Braintree, Feb., 8, 1692, son of Josiah and Mehitable Faxon, m. Ruth Webb May 22, 1716. He died March 19, 1729-30. He resided at Braintree and was a farmer.

"Probably Widow Ruth Faxon had a small place on the brook which came into the possession of Ebenezer Whitmarsh; and here was probably the house of the heirs of Thomas Faxon (5), perhaps a little east of the Tower house." from the 'Old Homesteads.'

Children born in Braintree:

- I. Ruth b. April 3, 1717; m. Aaron Hayward.
- II. Amy b. Feb. 11, 1718-19.
- III. Hannah b. July 24, 1721; m. Samuel Soper.
- IV. Priscilla b. April 13, 1723; m. Daniel Hayford.
- V. THOMAS b. Feb 19, 1724; m Joanna Allen (See # 50)
- VI. Christopher b. Nov 29, 1727.

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Ruth Bass, born 28. 11. 1662; married Peter Webb, son of Christopher and Hannah (Scott) Webb. The date of the death of Ruth is torn off, but she probably died about 1700. "Ruth ye wife of Peter Webb died June"----. I think it was her husband who died in Salem, Mass., 12 Feb. 1717-18. We find no will; administration was granted to his two sons. Ruth received a small legacy in 1697 from her "cousin" Sarah (Mullines) (Gannett) (Savill) Faxon, widow of Thomas Faxon and daughter of William Mullines Jr.

Children, born in Braintree:

- I. RUTH WEBB, b. 7 May 1684; PROBABLY m. THOMAS FAXSON, May 22. 1718
- II. Peter Webb, b. Dec. 25, 1685.
- III. David Webb, b. 27. 9. 1687
- IV. Christopher Webb, b. 30 Dec. 1689
- V. Hannah Webb, b. 14 March 1692; died 17 May 1693
- VI. John Webb, b. 10 March 1693; m. Mary Alden, dau. of Isaac Alden
- VII. "The second Hannah Webb" b. 8. Sept. 1694.
- VIII. Joseph Webb, b. 17 June 1696.
- IX. Priscilla Webb, b. Sept. 1, 1697
- X. Mary Webb, b. 5 Oct. 1698

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John Bass b. in Roxbury in 1632; m. Ruth, third daughter of John and Priscilla (Moulton) Alden, m. 2nd Hannah Sturtevant.

Children

? Ruth m. Peter Web.

? Hannah, m. Joseph Adams, 2nd wife. Became the grandmother of the President. B. June 22, 1667.
d. Oct. 24, 1705.

Ruth Alden, born about 1634-6. Died in Braintree, the 6 mo. 12 d. 1674. (Braintree records) On the "12 mo. 3 d. 1657. John Bass & Mary Alden were married by Mr. John Alden of Duxbury" (Braintree records) John Bass was born about 1632, son of Samuel and Ann Bass. He married second, Hannah Sturtephand of Plymouth 21, 7, 1675. She was also called Ann. He died "Sept. 12, 1716, in ye 84 of his age." I am told there is no stone to mark the grave of Ruth. He made his will 5 June 1716. He gives to his three sons, John, Samuel and Joseph, and to two living daughters, Mary Copeland and to Sarah Thayer and to "all my granddaughters that are the children of my two deceased daughters, Ruth and Hannah-- ten shillings apiece to be paid after my decease to such as are of age."

His will was witnessed by Susannah Webb, Jonathan Webb and Benjamin Webb. Proved 22 Oct. 1716. John Bass his son executor. He makes no mention of his second wife

Children by his first wife, all born in Braintree:

- I. John Bass b. 26, 9, 1658, d. 30 Sept. 1724. Married first, Abigail daughter of Joseph and Abigail (Baxter) Adams. He. m. second, Rebecca Savill.
- II. Samuel Bass b. 25, 1, 1660; m. Mary daughter of Joseph and Abigail (Baxter) Adams.
- III. RUTH Bass b. 23, 11, 1662; m. Peter Webb.
- IV. Joseph Webb b. 5, 10, 1665. M. Mary, daughter of Moses and Mary (Hosh) Belcher.
- V. Hannah Bass b. 22, 4, 1667; d. Oct 24 1705; m. as his second wife Joseph Adams. He was the son of Joseph and Abigail (Baxter) Adams.
- VI. Mary Bass b. Feb. 11, 1669-70. M. Christopher Webb Jr. son of Christopher and Hannah Webb.
- VII. Sarah Bass b. March 29, 1672. M. Ephraim Thayer son of Shadrack and Deliverance (Priest) Thayer.

John Alden is, perhaps, of English stock, from the southern part of England, as evidenced by "marriages in London" etc. The Aldens were of the better class of yeomanry, some gentlemen. There is a "coat of arms" of an Alden family, but there is no proof that Pilgrim John is connected with it. John Alden was not of the Leyden Congregation for Governor Bradford tells us "John Alden was hired for a cooper at South Heston where the ship victualled; and being a hopful yonge, was much desired: but left to his own liking to go or stay, when he came here; but he stayed, and married here." Notwithstanding the prominence he attained, in his deeds of sale or gift, he almost invariably describes himself as "cooper," occasionally as "yeoman," and only once, that I have discovered, as "gentleman." He was educated above the average, and took his land very soon as a man of weight in the community. Tradition says he was of a fine Saxon type, "the tallest man in the Colony." "He was the youngest signer of the compact."

John Alden was born in 1599, and died Sept. 12, 1687, "the last male survivor of those who signed the Compact." There is a tradition that he was married in 1621 in the spring, but I feel sure that it was a little later, near the first part of 1622. This marriage was the second or third in the Colony. Tradition also says Priscilla was eighteen when she landed. We know nothing further of her-only as the wife of John Alden, and the mother of his children-till 1680. At the funeral of Gov. Josiah Winslow, were present "the venerable John Alden, with Priscilla on his arm." I feel very sure she died before her husband, for there is no mention of her in notices of his death. She certainly was not alive in January, 1688-9, four months later.

He lived in Plymouth till 1627. "The earliest records indicate that all the land between Barial Hill, and Main Street, once belonged to John Alden and William Bradford." The land of Mr. Alden covers the site of the old school house, and School Street, and it is quite probable that before his removal to Duxbury in 1627, he lived there. On his removal, it was probably surrendered. As in later records it is called Town Common. His home in Duxbury was destroyed by fire. He removed to Andover, and settled on the land, which had been granted to him on the South side of Blue Fish river, he built his house on a rise of the land, near Eagle Tree pond. The second house stood a little further to the westward." The original grant contained over one hundred and nine acres.

In 1625, he, Standish, Brewster, and Howland and others of the principal men of the Colony, agreed to pay the Colony's debts, contracted in England, and "otherwise to prevent the ruin of the Colony by want of credit; and during the following year, bargained with the people for the assignment of the trade to them, promising to free them from the payment of the Colony's debts." In 1633, he was chosen a member of the Board of Assistants to the Governor, and continued with few interruptions to his death. He was not Assistant from 1640 to 1650, and during that time was Deputy from Duxbury. In 1656 to 1687, he was first on the Board of Assistants and was styled deputy Governor, and "on him devolved the duty of presiding in the absence of the Governor; and on these occasions he ruled with dignity and perseverance. Holding offices of the highest trust, no important measure was proposed, or any responsible agency ordered in which he had not a part. He was often one of the Council of War, many times an arbitrator, a surveyor of lands for the Government, as well as for individuals, and on several important occasions was authorized to act as Agent or Attorney for the Colony. He was chosen Treasurer in 1656, and held that office for three successive years." In those days the salary of the public officers was very small, and a refusal to serve was not received

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under the penalty of a fine. Constant devotion to the public service so "reduced his estate, that the Court took notice of it, and valuing him so highly, they felt they could not afford to lose him, and took immediate action as appears in the following record: "In regard that Mr. Alden is low in his estate, and occasioned to spend time at the Courts on the Controves occasions, and soe have done this many years; the Court have allowed him a small gratuity, the sume of ten pounds to be paid by the Treasurer."

It is claimed that he was a poor man, because the Inventory of his estate shows only fifty pounds. This is not so. He divided his estate amongst his children, before his death; and spent his last days with his son Jonathon. His deeds of conveyance are not all recorded, and very few at the time when given. Later, his sons and descendants in giving or selling their lands, refer to these deeds. He left no will, but in 1687 Jonathan Alden is made administrator on the estate, and all the heirs sign a receipt to him, that they have received their part.

It has been claimed that John Alden was cruel to the Quakers in his later days, but I do not see that this is proved. A full account is given in Goodwin's Pilgrim Republic. I now give the children of John and Priscilla, as far as known. We have not a single date of birth, but we have other ways of judging of the year of birth, of most of them.

Children:

- I. Elizabeth, born 1623 to 1624.
- II. John, born 1625.
- III. Joseph, born 1627, after May 22.
- IV. Sarah, born 1629.
- V. Jonathon, born 1632-3.
- VI. PUEB, BORN ABOUT 1634-5. SHE WAS OF MARRIAGEABLE AGE IN 1661.
- VII. Rebecca, born about 1637. Of marriageable age in 1661.
- VIII. Priscilla.
- IX. Zachariah, born about 1641.
- X. Mary, born about 1643.
- XI. David, born 1646.

"Mr. Molines, and his wife," Bradford says, "and his sone- and his servant dyed the first winter; only his daughter Priscilla survived, and married with John Alden, who are both living, and have eleven children, and their eldest daughter is married, and hath five children."

It is supposed the Molines were Gallons, or French Huguenots, for Baird's History of Huguenot Emigration to America, vol., 1, page 153, says "Wm. Molines, and his daughter Priscilla, afterwards wife of John Alden, and Philip De la Hoge and others remained in Leyden." That is when the French Huguenots "went to Guiana." I am inclined to think, that either William Molines, or his wife Alice were English, for after this they went to England, and joined the Pilgrims there. They embarked in the Speedwell, but in the re-adjustment of the passengers after the ship Speedwell gave out we find them in the Mayflower. When William Molines died, he left a will which was proved in Dorking, County Surrey, England.

For copy of the will see W. E. Hist. and Geneal. Soc., Vol. 42, page 62

We see by his will that he left a married daughter, Sarah Blunden, in England; also his son William, who was to have his "father's share of land if he came to America." We do not know whether Sarah Blunden followed her father, but his son William did, and received his father's share of land, and a grant of land in 1633, from Plymouth to the borne "of the old servants,"

Children:

1. Sarah, m. ----Blunden
- II. William
- III. Priscilla; m. John Alden.

